

SEC. 503. AUTHORITY TO VARY NUMBER OF SPACE FORCE OFFICERS CONSIDERED FOR PROMOTION TO MAJOR GENERAL.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 616(d) of title 10, United States Code, the number of officers recommended for promotion by a selection board convened by the Secretary of the Air Force under section 611(a) of title 10, United States Code, to consider officers on the Space Force active duty list for promotion to major general may not exceed the number equal to 95 percent of the total number of brigadier generals eligible for consideration by the board.

(b) TERMINATION.—The authority provided under subsection (a) shall terminate on December 31, 2022.

SA 4715. Mr. ROUNDS (for Mr. INHOFE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3867 submitted by Mr. REED and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4350, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2022 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle G of title X, add the following:

SEC. 1064. EXPANSION OF PROPERTY OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR SALE OR DONATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES AND STUDY ON USE OF SUCH AUTHORITY TO SELL OR DONATE PROPERTY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2576a(e) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

“(5) Explosives.

“(6) Firearms of 50 cal mil or greater and ammunition of 50 cal mil or greater.

“(7) Asphyxiating gases, including those comprised of lachrymatory agents, and analogous liquids, materials, or devices.”.

(b) STUDY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Defense Logistics Agency shall conduct a study on the use by the Department of Defense of the authority under section 2576a of title 10, United States Code, and the administration of such authority by the Law Enforcement Support Office of the Department.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The study required under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) an analysis of the degree to which personal property transferred under section 2576a of title 10, United States Code, has been distributed equitably between larger, well-resourced municipalities and units of government and smaller, less well-resourced municipalities and units of government; and

(B) an identification of potential modifications to the authority under such section to ensure that property transferred under such section is transferred in a manner that provides adequate opportunity for participation by smaller, less well-resourced municipalities and units of government.

(3) REPORT.—Not later than December 1, 2022, the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the results of the study conducted under paragraph (1).

SA 4716. Mr. HAGERTY (for himself and Mrs. BLACKBURN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3867 submitted by Mr. REED and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4350, to authorize appro-

priations for fiscal year 2022 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle E of title III, add the following:

SEC. 376. ACCESS TO CATEGORY 3 SUBTERRANEAN TRAINING FACILITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may have access to a covered category 3 subterranean training facility on a continuing basis, subject to the availability of appropriations for such purpose.

(b) AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO LEASE.—The Secretary may enter into a short-term lease with a provider of a covered category 3 subterranean training facility for purposes of subsection (a).

(c) COVERED CATEGORY 3 SUBTERRANEAN TRAINING FACILITY DEFINED.—In this section, the term “covered category 3 subterranean training facility” means a category 3 subterranean training facility that is—

(1) operational as of the date of the enactment of this Act; and

(2) determined by the Secretary to be safe for use as of such date.

SA 4717. Mr. BROWN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3867 submitted by Mr. REED and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4350, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2022 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

TITLE —STEM RESEARCH GAINS

SEC. —01. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the “Strengthening the STEM Research Workforce to Generate American Infrastructure for National Security Act of 2021” or the “STEM Research GAINS Act of 2021”.

SEC. —02. DEFINITIONS.

In this title:

(1) COVERED FIELD.—The term “covered field” means a field in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics research or development that is determined to be—

(A) a subject area relating to the national security of the United States;

(B) a subject area relating to the United States’ ability to compete in an open, fair, and competitive international market and achieve economic growth; or

(C) a subject area that is in need of expanded and strengthened academic pipelines to ensure a diverse workforce.

(2) DIRECTOR.—The term “Director” means the Director of the National Science Foundation.

(3) FEDERAL SCIENCE AGENCY.—The term “Federal science agency” has the meaning given the term in section 103(f) of the America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 6623(f)).

(4) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The term “institution of higher education” means an institution of higher education described in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).

(5) MINORITY.—The term “minority” has the meaning given the term in section 365(2)

of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067k(2)).

(6) MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTION.—The term “minority-serving institution” means—

(A) a part B institution (as defined in section 322 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1061));

(B) a Hispanic-serving institution (as defined in section 502 of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1101a));

(C) a Tribal College or University (as defined in section 316 of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1059c));

(D) an Alaska Native-serving institution (as defined in section 317(b) of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1059d(b)));

(E) a Native Hawaiian-serving institution (as defined in section 317(b) of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1059d(b)));

(F) a Predominantly Black Institution (as defined in section 318 of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1059e));

(G) an Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-serving institution (as defined in section 320(b) of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1059g(b))); or

(H) a Native American-serving, nontribal institution (as defined in section 319 of that Act (20 U.S.C. 1059f)).

(7) STEM.—The term “STEM” means science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, including computer science.

(8) UNDERREPRESENTED FIELD.—The term “underrepresented field” means a field in STEM in which the national rate of representation of women among tenured, tenure-track faculty, or nonfaculty researchers at doctorate-granting institutions of higher education is less than 25 percent, according to the most recent data available from the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics.

(9) UNDERREPRESENTED IN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING.—The term “underrepresented in science and engineering” means a minority group whose number of scientists and engineers, per 10,000 population of that group, is substantially below the comparable figure for scientists and engineers who are white and not of Hispanic origin, as determined by the Secretary of Education under section 637.4(b) of title 34, Code of Federal Regulations, or similar successor regulations.

Subtitle A—Expanding Pipeline Programs to Research Opportunities

SEC. —11. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AREAS CRITICAL TO NATIONAL SECURITY.

(a) COVERED FIELDS.—The President shall conduct a study to identify areas for research and development that are covered fields.

(b) UPDATE.—Not less than once every 5 years, the President shall reassess the covered fields.

SEC. —12. INCREASING INVESTMENT IN UNDERGRADUATE SCIENCE PIPELINES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appropriated to the National Science Foundation for fiscal year 2022 and for each of the following 4 years, \$750,000,000, which shall be used by the Director for the following National Science Foundation programs:

(1) The Historically Black Colleges and Universities Undergraduate Program.

(2) The Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation program.

(3) The Research Experiences for Undergraduates program.

(4) The Tribal Colleges and Universities Program.

(5) The Improving Undergraduates STEM Education: Hispanic-Serving Institutions Program.